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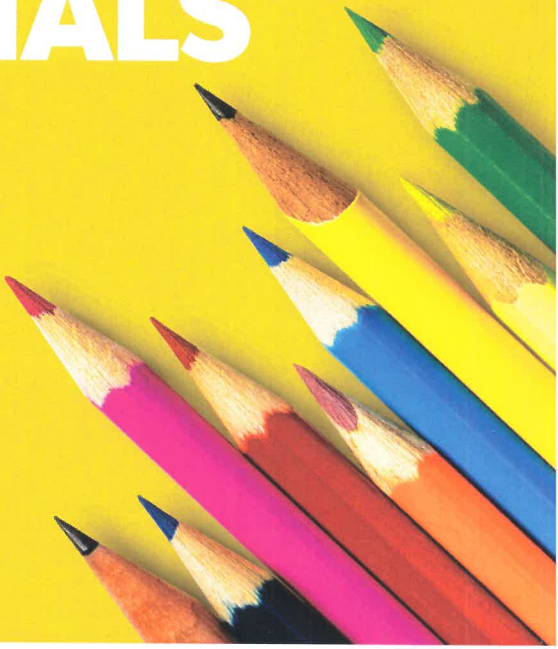

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WELCOME TO MUSIC AT RHS

The 2021-2022 programme provided something for everyone from Gig Night through to Verdi's *Requiem*. This year the schedule looks equally exciting, with something for all musical tastes. We hope that you will come and enjoy some or all of the 2022-2023 programme and I have noted some highlights below.

The season kicks off with The Blue Project in which Joni Mitchell's famous album *'Blue'* is recreated by our guest performers. Later in the term, the choir head to London to perform in the Annual National Seafarers' Service at St Paul's after a two-year absence and in December for the Admiralty Carol Service.

After a two year delay our talented pupils can once again venture even further afield to perform, beginning with a tour by the Chapel Choir and Band who will be performing concerts at destinations in Washington DC for a week. If you would like further details, please contact the Music School.

We welcome back Dominic Ellis-Peckham along with pupils from across the county to *'Sing Up! Suffolk'* and all are welcome to sing along in an afternoon of Broadway hits the following weekend. We are going all out this year with our own musical production of *'Me and My Girl'* in February. This promises to be the biggest and most glamorous production we have produced for many years.

Our links with the forces remain strong and we are delighted to host our collaboration with the RAF's Central Band in an inaugural concert with the School Band. This is just one of several joint concerts which also include a performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's *'The Pirates of Penzance'* with the Holbrook Choral Society.

As the school year draws to a close, we will welcome back John Rutter CBE, our musical patron, to a concert which will include two of his own works, *'Requiem'* and *'Magnificat'*.

As always, we are grateful for our sponsors and supporters who make these wonderful events possible, enabling pupils, parents and friends from the wider community to come together in a celebration of music. I also thank those musicians who provide the various masterclasses within the programme.

I look forward to seeing you at an event over the course of the coming year.

Simon Lockyer
Headmaster

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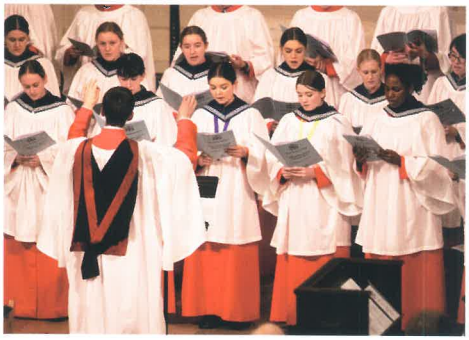
MUSIC AT THE ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL

Set in 200 acres of stunning Suffolk countryside overlooking the River Stour, the Royal Hospital School is a thriving co-educational boarding and day school for 11 to 18 year olds. The school has a long tradition of musical excellence, enhanced by a Music School opened by the school's music patron, John Rutter, in 2008.

> *"This is one of the finest music facilities I have ever seen. It will make a perfect home for the flourishing musical activities."*
>
> JOHN RUTTER

In recent years, a £1/4 million investment in new Bechstein pianos throughout the school and a stunning Fazioli Grand for the Recital Hall and the purchase of a full suite of orchestral percussion has demonstrated a commitment to enriching what is on offer for young musicians.

Situated beside the Music School is the magnificent 1930s chapel which is of cathedral proportions and has seating for over 1000 people. It is famed for its exceptional four-manual "romantic" organ and the smaller two-manual "classical" instrument.



THE CHAPEL CHOIR

When over 700 pupils and a further 100 teachers and other members of staff sing together each morning in chapel it is often referred to as the "Holbrook Sound". The Chapel Choir has become one of the most important and prestigious

ensembles within the Music Department, performing regularly at St Paul's Cathedral, St Martin-in-the-Fields and the Royal Albert Hall. Tours abroad have included Paris, Rome, Germany and New York and, this year, a joint tour with the Band to Washington DC.

SCHOOL BAND

The School Band is another Music Department "flagship". Apart from the ceremonial duties unique to the Royal Hospital School, accompanying the impressive parades and sunset ceremonies, it has performed at many national events. The most recent have been the opening of the National Museum of the Royal Navy's Jutland exhibition in the presence of HRH The Princess Royal, and the rugby internationals at Twickenham. The Band has also recorded several CDs and toured abroad to the USA, South Africa and Canada.

HOLBROOK CHORAL SOCIETY

The Holbrook Choral Society has been based at the Royal Hospital School for over 30 years and it provides an important link between the school and the wider community. The society includes local people, parents, staff and pupils and major performances have included Messiah - Handel, Requiem - Mozart, The Dream of Gerontius - Elgar, Gloria - Vivaldi, and Messa da Requiem - Verdi.

New members are always welcome!

SCHOLARSHIPS

Music Scholarships are awarded annually to pupils who demonstrate potential in their music making. Prospective candidates are encouraged to visit the school informally and meet the Director of Music from whom further information is available.

"We are proud of our musical tradition and look to build upon it. We do hope that you will come and see us at work and meet the team of inspirational and talented musicians. I am positive that you will be sufficiently impressed and inspired to entrust the musical education of your sons and daughters to us here at the Royal Hospital School."

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

MEMBERSHIP

BECOME A FRIEND OF MUSIC

By joining Friends of Music you can help us ensure that music remains a source of joy and inspiration for the Royal Hospital School and the communities we serve. Your support also gives young musicians the confidence to succeed, new instruments, and life-changing opportunities through bursaries and scholarships.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

STANDARD MEMBER

£2.50 per month or an annual donation of £30 or above

- Two complimentary tickets to two Notes & Nibbles lunchtime concerts per annum
- Two invitations to a VIP champagne reception before selected events
- Copy of the annual music programme and regular updates from the Music School

SILVER MEMBER

£20 per month or an annual donation of £250 or above

- Name on the Friends of Music Roll of Honour in the Reade Music School
- Two complimentary tickets to all Notes & Nibbles lunchtime concerts and other selected events at the school
- Three invitations to a VIP champagne reception before selected events
- Two interval drinks at music events (event tickets should be purchased unless complimentary)
- Copy of the annual music programme and regular updates from the Music School

You can join today online at
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or call the Music School on 01473 326222.

GOLD MEMBER

£80 per month or an annual donation of £1,000 or above

- Name on the Friends of Music Roll of Honour in the Reade Music School
- Up to six complimentary tickets to all music events at the Royal Hospital School with interval drinks
- Up to six invitations to a VIP champagne reception before selected events
- You will receive complimentary reserved seating at school events
- Copy of the annual music programme and regular updates from the Music School

PLATINUM MEMBER

Donations of £10,000+

- Name on the Friends of Music Roll of Honour in the Reade Music School and other naming opportunities befitting a major donor of the school
- Complimentary tickets to all music events at the Royal Hospital School with interval drinks
- Invitations to all VIP champagne receptions before events
- Opportunity to address the audience prior to events
- Free full page advertisement or feature in the music programme
- You will receive complimentary reserved seating at school and national events
- Copy of the annual music programme and regular updates from the Music School

SEPTEMBER

LOOK OUT FOR

The Blue Project

Catherine May (soprano) and Andrew Allen (guitar) are joined by Tim Pells (guitar), Michael Allen (percussion) and Mary Pells (cello)

Joni Mitchell's *Blue* album is one of the most highly regarded of the past 50 years. Many of the songs have become standards, having been performed and recorded countless times. The first half of this concert includes a selection of songs that set the context for the album. The second half is a performance of the entire album.

Date TBA later this season, so please visit the box office for further details.

Burns Recital Hall ***7pm** **£15/£10/Free**

P Parade Ground

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£ £7**

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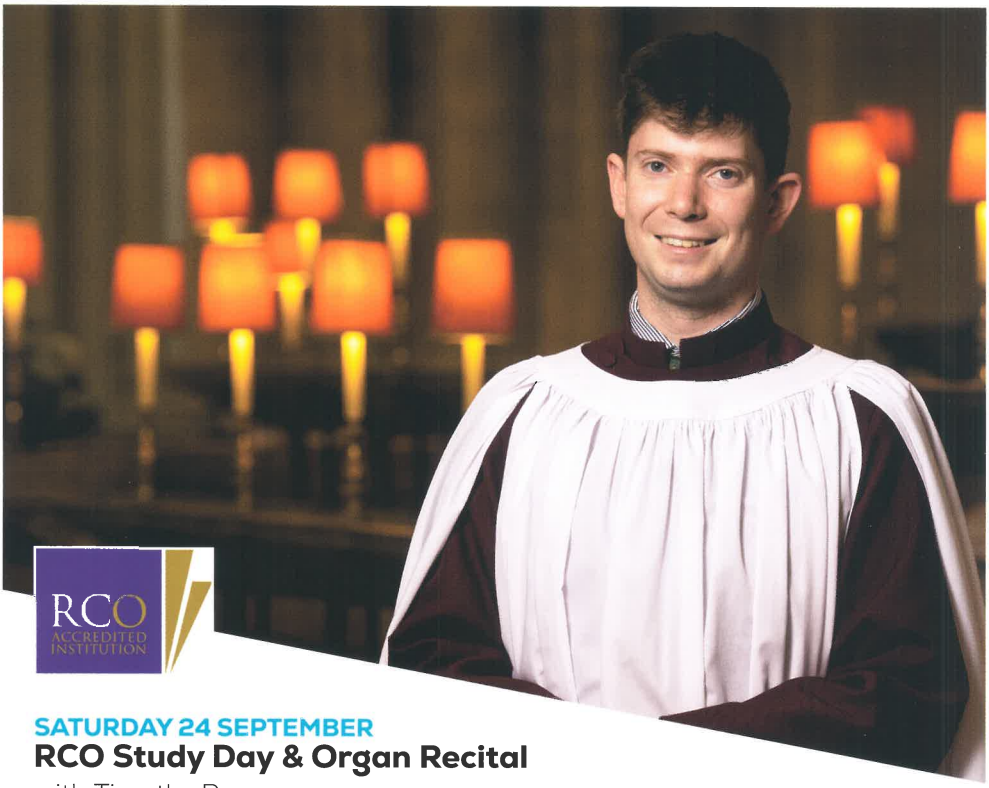

SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
RCO Study Day & Organ Recital
with Timothy Parsons

The art of organ accompaniment
Join us for an afternoon of learning focusing on:

- organ management
- making accompaniments colourful
- approaching particularly difficult parts
- rendering orchestral reductions
- how to sensitively accompany a choir

2pm Workshop 1
3pm Workshop 2
4pm Refreshments
4.30pm Organ Recital by Timothy Parsons
Symphonie No 1, Op 14 by Louis Vierne

Timothy Parsons has been the Director of Music at St Edmundsbury Cathedral since April 2021, where he has responsibility for all aspects of the Cathedral's music, especially the direction of the Cathedral Choir. Prior to this he held positions at the cathedrals of Hereford, Winchester and Exeter, and at Selwyn College, Cambridge, where he graduated with a Starred First in Music. In those roles, he developed a great love of accompanying choirs, and the afternoon's workshop will be an opportunity to learn more about this often-neglected craft in the world of organ playing.

Chapel **2-5.30pm** **Participants £20 / Observers £15 / Recital Only £10**
Around the Chapel

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OCTOBER

FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER

Washington DC Pre-tour Concert

An evening of music by the Chapel Choir and Band of the Royal Hospital School as they prepare for their first overseas trip since October 2018. Come and hear some of your favourite marches and choral classics alongside several of our most talented pupils performing in a solo capacity.

A retiring collection will be taken at the end of the evening to support the tour.

Burns Recital Hall **7pm** **£ Free**

P Parade Ground

MONDAY 3 OCTOBER

Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£ £7**

SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER

Harvest Festival Service and Divisions

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the school's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital.

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Parade Ground & Chapel **11am**

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OCTOBER

RHS Out & About

WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER

Annual National Seafarers' Service, St Paul's Cathedral

The Annual Service (cancelled for the last two years) is held to commemorate and celebrate seafarers from across the maritime industry and is always well-attended by seafaring professionals, as well as pupils from the many nautical schools and colleges around the country.

Entry by ticket only
www.stpauls.co.uk

St Paul's Cathedral, London **5pm**

FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER

Divisions

The school perform Divisions as a mark of respect to the thousands of former pupils from Holbrook and Greenwich who paraded and who made the ultimate sacrifice on the high seas to secure our nation's peace and security.

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Parade Ground

4.15pm

SATURDAY 15 - SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

Washington DC Tour

The Chapel Choir and Band head off to Washington DC, USA, for a week on tour!

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NOVEMBER

FRIDAY
4 NOVEMBER

Pete Letanka Trio

Pete Letanka is one of the most exciting jazz piano players in the UK today. As an ambassador for Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club, the National Youth Jazz Orchestra, Junior Glyndebourne and the Royal Opera House, Pete's charismatic and motivational work is a treasured memory for all who have had the pleasure to be a part of it.

Pete will hold an afternoon workshop with the RHS Big Band and singers, working on material which will feature in the evening concert alongside his own compositions and arrangements from his critically acclaimed *Afrostocracy* album. Do join us for an evening of impassioned swing, entertainment and great fun. Expect sounds of Oscar Peterson, Erroll Garner, with a dash of soulful '70s groove thrown in for good measure.

"Everyone who hears Pete Letanka for the first time is amazed" – The Observer

Pete Letanka (piano), Joe Pettitt (bass), George Double (drums)

Burns Recital Hall ***7pm** **£15/£10/Free** **P Parade Ground**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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Educational Event

WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER

Sing Up! Suffolk
Dominic Ellis-Peckham

Sing Up! Suffolk is back again!

School pupils in Years 5 and 6 are welcome to come and join us for an energy-filled, fun-packed vocal day directed by the hugely charismatic choral leader Dominic Ellis-Peckham.

This event promises to be a high-energy and inspirational day of singing and vocal exploration which will undoubtedly be an unforgettable experience for your pupils and staff.

The nature of Dominic's workshops is to encourage the singers, in a relaxed way, to listen to one another and learn to understand the many aspects of ensemble singing.

The day is funded by the Royal Hospital School and is free to attend.

To make further enquiries, please contact the Music School directly: music@royalhospitalschool.org

Assembly Hall

9.30am-2.15pm

£ Free

P Parade Ground

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SING UP! SUFFOLK

SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER

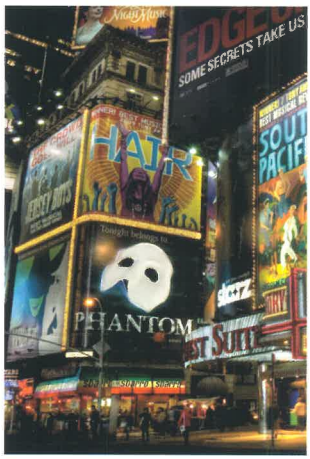
Come and Sing Musicals

with Sue Double and the Reade Ensemble

The annual afternoon RHS sing-a-long has become a popular highlight in the musical calendar. Join us this year as we take a whistle-stop tour to Broadway with Sue Double and the Reade Ensemble.

'Willkommen' to an afternoon of non-stop singing! If you've 'Got Rhythm' then you need look no further: join us for 'Some Enchanted Evening' (although it's the afternoon!), as we take you on a tour through the West End where 'Anything Goes'.

A fun event for all the family!



Burns Recital Hall **3pm**

£ £7.50 **P Parade Ground**

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NOVEMBER

SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER
Gig Night

The RHS Gig Night will consist of performances by a variety of pupil-led bands, duos and solo acts of all ages and abilities. The evening will also feature duets with some of our very own rock and pop visiting music teachers.

Assembly Hall ***7pm** **£5/Free**

Parade Ground

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER
Remembrance Service & Divisions

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the school's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital.

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Parade Ground & Chapel

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11.45am - Service

MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER
Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£7**

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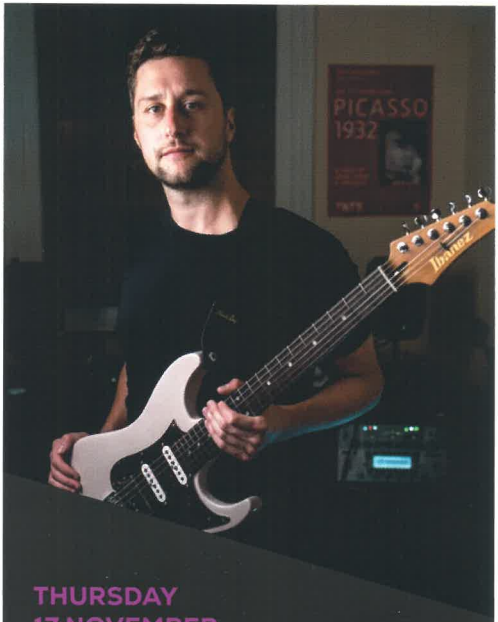

THURSDAY
17 NOVEMBER

Guitar Masterclass

with Jake Willson

Jake Willson is quickly developing a reputation as an exciting and unique new voice in the guitar world. His journey from a keen jazz student at Berklee College of Music to completing a PhD in classical composition at the University of Surrey has provided the background to his aesthetic approach, and culminated in his breakthrough album, *A Piece of The Action*.

A passionate and dedicated educator, Jake has created several educational products for JTCguitar.com (previously 'jamtrackcentral') and has run clinics/workshops internationally. Jake proudly endorses Fibenare Guitars, Hawk Picks, Victory Amplifiers, Wampler Pedals, TC Electronic and Atomic Amplifiers.

Burns Recital Hall
7-9pm **£ Free**
P Around Chapel

NYCGB
NATIONAL YOUTH CHOIRS GREAT BRITAIN

Educational Event

WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER

GCSE and A Level Music Composition Day

with NYCGB Fellows

Led by Alexander Campkin

Led by the dynamic composer Alexander Campkin and mentors from the NYCGB Fellowship Programme, pupils from local schools will be invited to work collaboratively to create a series of original compositions. The sessions will focus on compositional techniques for vocal ensembles, with all the new works being performed to their creators by the NYCGB Fellowship Octet at the end of the day.

For more details contact music@royalhospitalschool.org

Reade Music School **9.30am-3pm**
P Parade Ground

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DECEMBER

RHS Out & About

MONDAY 5 DECEMBER

Admiralty Carol Service

Members of the Chapel Choir will be singing at the annual Admiralty Carol Service at St Martin-in-the-Fields, London.

St Martin-in-the-Fields, London **6.45pm**

FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER

A service of music and readings for Advent

Chapel **5.15pm**

Keep Your Eye Out For...

THE STUDD CONCERT

Spanning many genres of music, this special night will have something for everyone, featuring current pupils and noted musical alumni. With prosecco on arrival, you can be sure to have a glorious evening of dining and sensational music.

Join us for a one-off concert to celebrate the life of alumnus the late Professor John Studd, the launch of the Royal Hospital School Centennial Bursary Fund and, of course, music!

Date TBA, so please visit the box office for further details.

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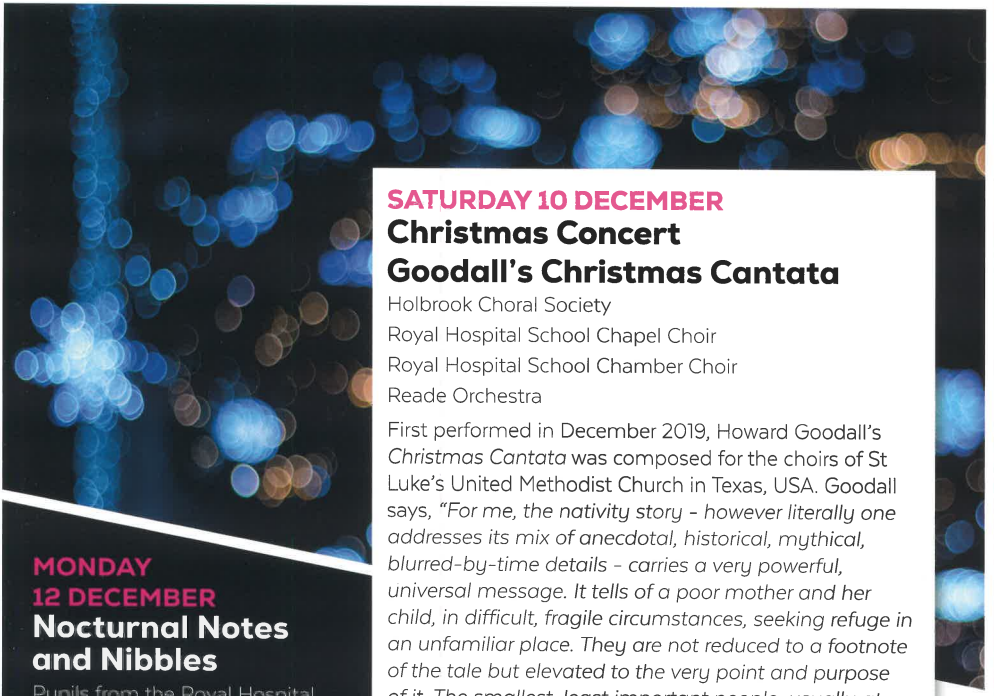

SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER
Christmas Concert
Goodall's Christmas Cantata

Holbrook Choral Society
Royal Hospital School Chapel Choir
Royal Hospital School Chamber Choir
Reade Orchestra

First performed in December 2019, Howard Goodall's *Christmas Cantata* was composed for the choirs of St Luke's United Methodist Church in Texas, USA. Goodall says, *"For me, the nativity story - however literally one addresses its mix of anecdotal, historical, mythical, blurred-by-time details - carries a very powerful, universal message. It tells of a poor mother and her child, in difficult, fragile circumstances, seeking refuge in an unfamiliar place. They are not reduced to a footnote of the tale but elevated to the very point and purpose of it. The smallest, least important people, usually at the edge of the frame, stand centre-stage. Power is transferred from a mighty empire to a child."*

The second half will consist of some of your festive favourites, with numerous sing-along carols and a delightful array of joyful works interspersed with some much-loved Christmastide readings.

Chapel ***7pm** **£12/£10/Free**
Parade Ground
***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

MONDAY 12 DECEMBER
Nocturnal Notes and Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Join us from 6.30pm for a glass of bubbly, some tasty canapés and a brilliant evening of solo performances from some of RHS's most talented young musicians.

Burns Recital Hall
7pm **£7**

FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER
School Christmas Carol Service

Chapel
2.45pm

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JANUARY

MONDAY
23 JANUARY
Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall
1.30pm **£7**

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY
Scholars' Concert

An absolute highlight of the concert year, this event is a celebration of musical talent and an opportunity to hear some extraordinarily gifted pupils perform. The programme will be rich and varied with a mixture of individual and ensemble performances in the intimate and acoustically-primed Burns Recital Hall.

Burns Recital Hall ***7pm**

£5/Free **P Parade Ground**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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JANUARY

RCO ACCREDITED INSTITUTION

SATURDAY 28 JANUARY
RCO Study Day & Organ Recital
with Stephen Pinnock

The Organist's Tool Kit
Join us for an afternoon looking at all the tricks of the trade, including:

- The mystery and curse of the Great to Pedal
- Keeping registration simple
- Generals (a disease and a relief)
- Pistons for everyday use
- Your bench mark
- The Great to Pedal pistons (the agony and ecstasy)
- Simple improvisation
- Making Sight Reading easy

Programme

2pm Workshop 1

3pm Workshop 2

4pm Refreshments

4.30pm Organ Recital by Stephen Pinnock

Prelude in G major BWV 541 - Bach

Pièces de fantasie, Volume II - Vierne

Chapel

2pm-5.15pm

£ Participants £20/Observers £15/ Recital Only £10

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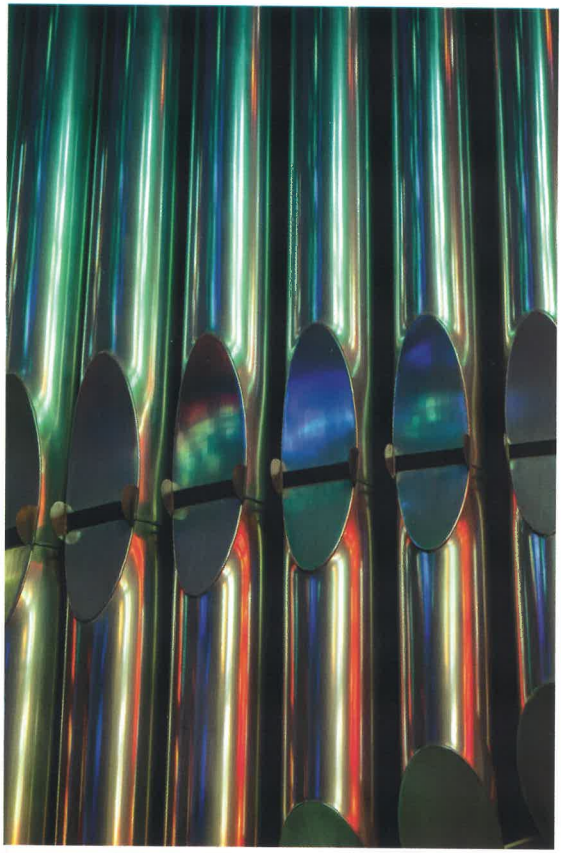

Stephen Pinnock

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FEBRUARY

THE ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL PRESENTS
ME AND MY GIRL
ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL
FEB 2023
THE ASSEMBLY HALL
7PM
Wednesday 1 February
Thursday 2 February
Friday 3 February
Saturday 4 February
(Gala Performance)
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
ROYALHOSPITALSCHOOL.ORG/BOXOFFICE
Book and Lyrics by L. ARTHUR ROSE and DOUGLAS FURBER
Music by NOEL GAY · Contributions to revisions by Mike Ockrent · Book revised by Stephen Fry
This amateur production of ME AND MY GIRL is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd.www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

WEDNESDAY 1 - SATURDAY 4 FEBRUARY

Me and My Girl

Bill Snibson, a Lambeth costermonger, is revealed to be the new Earl of Hareford and his newly-discovered aristocratic relations are horrified. Bringing him to Hareford Hall, they attempt to educate Bill into the ways of the gentry and to separate him from his cockney girlfriend, Sally. The result? Chaos of the most comical kind! With a host of hilarious characters, witty one-liners and several toe-tapping, uplifting songs (including the famous *Lambeth Walk, The Sun Has Got His Hat On* and *Leaning On A Lamp Post*), *Me and My Girl* is a sublime and sunny treat for all fans of musical comedy!

Assembly Hall **7pm** **£15/£10/£8/Free** **Parade Ground**

FEBRUARY

RHS Out & About

MONDAY 6 FEBRUARY

Choral Evensong

The Chamber Choir and senior members of the Chapel Choir sing a service of Choral Evensong for Accession Day at the diocesan cathedral of St Edmundsbury.

St Edmundsbury Cathedral

5.30pm

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

The Central Band of the Royal Air Force and the Band of the Royal Hospital School

We are delighted to welcome the Central Band of the RAF to RHS for their first visit. The School Band are always keen to find new opportunities to work alongside Armed Forces musicians and hope that you will join them in what promises to be a brilliant evening of marches, overtures and medleys. The evening will conclude with a ceremonial display from one of the school's flagship ensembles, the Corps of Drums.

Assembly Hall ***7pm** **Free**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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MARCH

SATURDAY
4 MARCH

Gilbert and Sullivan's The Pirates of Penzance

RHS Chapel Choir
RHS Chamber Choir
Holbrook Choral Society

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Premiered at the Fifth Avenue Theatre in New York City on 31 December 1879, The Pirates of Penzance is a comic opera in two acts. It tells the story of Frederic, who - having completed his 21st year - is released to a band of tender-hearted pirates. He meets the daughters of Major-General Stanley, including Mabel, and the two young people fall instantly in love. Discovering his date of birth is actually on the 29th of February, Frederic soon realises that, technically, he only has a birthday once each leap year. Is he really 21 after all?!

With solo roles provided by some of RHS's top vocal talent, and the rousing choruses lustily sung by the combined choirs of the Holbrook Choral Society and the RHS Chapel and Chamber Choirs, the evening should be 'the very model' of perfection(!)

Burns Recital Hall ***7pm** **£10/£7/Free** **Parade Ground**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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MARCH

MONDAY
13 MARCH

Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concerts start at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£7**

THURSDAY 16 MARCH

Brass Masterclass

with Matilda Lloyd

Matilda Lloyd is a fast-rising young artist with exceptional poise and musicality. Aged 26, she is captivating audiences and critics alike with her artistry and communication, and her *"flawless tone and virtuosic technique"* (Saarbrücker Zeitung, March 2020) bring a unique flair to every performance.

After winning First Prize in the Eric Aubier International Trumpet Competition in Rouen, France in 2017, Matilda has appeared as a soloist all over the world, including throughout Europe, in South Africa and in the US. She made her BBC Proms debut in 2016 with the BBC Philharmonic and Alpesh Chauhan.

Burns Recital Hall **7pm** **Free**

P **Around Chapel**

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MARCH

SATURDAY 18 MARCH

Gig Night II

RHS Gig Nights continue to be a celebration of pupil talent, so the more we can cram in each year the better! Join us for an evening of solos, duets and bands with music to keep you dancing all night long.

Assembly Hall ***7pm** **£5/Free**

P Parade Ground

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

Educational Event

WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH

A Level set works seminar

Open to all A Level Music students and teachers (particularly those following the Pearson Edexcel specification), a unique opportunity to study two of the set works (Clara Schumann's *Piano Trio in G minor* and Debussy's *Estampes*) in real-time.

Kathryn Parry, violin
Mary Pells, cello
Christine Stevenson, piano
Edward Allen, presenter

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Burns Recital Hall **1.30pm**

To make further enquiries, please contact the Music School directly: music@royalhospitalschool.org

RHS Out & About

THURSDAY 23 MARCH

Choral Evensong

Senior members of the Chapel Choir sing a service of Choral Evensong at Westminster Abbey. *The service is open to members of the public.*

Westminster Abbey

5pm

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MARCH

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SATURDAY 25 MARCH
Charity Gala Concert

Chapel Choir | Chamber Choir | Corps of Drums Display Team | Symphony Orchestra | Concert Band | Big Band | String, Brass and Saxophone Ensembles

The Royal Hospital School Gala Concert has proved to be one of the highlights of the year, showcasing the wealth of talent, musical diversity and incredibly high standards which are synonymous with the school. This showpiece charity concert will feature a range of music from sacred and secular vocal to classical and jazz.

All proceeds raised will go to the Suffolk Community Foundation.

Chapel ***7pm** **£10/£7/Free** **Parade Ground**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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SUFFOLK Community Foundation

SUNDAY 26 MARCH
Founders' Day Service & Divisions

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the school's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital.

See page 39 for more details

Parade Ground & Chapel

11am

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MARCH

TUESDAY 28 MARCH

English Song Festival

A vocal showcase drawing from the great English Song repertoire spanning over 300 years. Many of the singers at RHS will not have the chance to perform as a soloist outside their lessons and exams, and this is an occasion for them to share their talent.

Burns Recital Hall **5-6pm & 6.45-7.45pm**

Free

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FRIDAY 31 MARCH

The Way of the Cross (Easter Service) & Divisions

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the school's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital.

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Parade Ground & Chapel

2.30pm

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The Royal Hospital School Association and Alumni Office work together to connect and inspire the next generation. We offer a diverse range of events throughout the year including professional networking and industry workshops, reunions and social events.

Visit the website to learn about the supportive and vibrant global alumni community.

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MAY

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MONDAY 1 MAY
Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concerts start at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£7**

FRIDAY 5 MAY
School Band & Big Band Concert

Tracing its roots back to 1828, the Band of the Royal Hospital School is one of the flagship ensembles of the School and has a loyal following, both at home and abroad. The Band will once again demonstrate professionalism, versatility and an extremely impressive level of musicianship, as it takes to the stage for a night of traditional British and American military music. As well as the usual eclectic mix of music old and new, the concert will feature the renowned Corps of Drums and a full Naval sunset ceremony.

Assembly Hall ***7pm** **£10/£7/Free**

Parade Ground

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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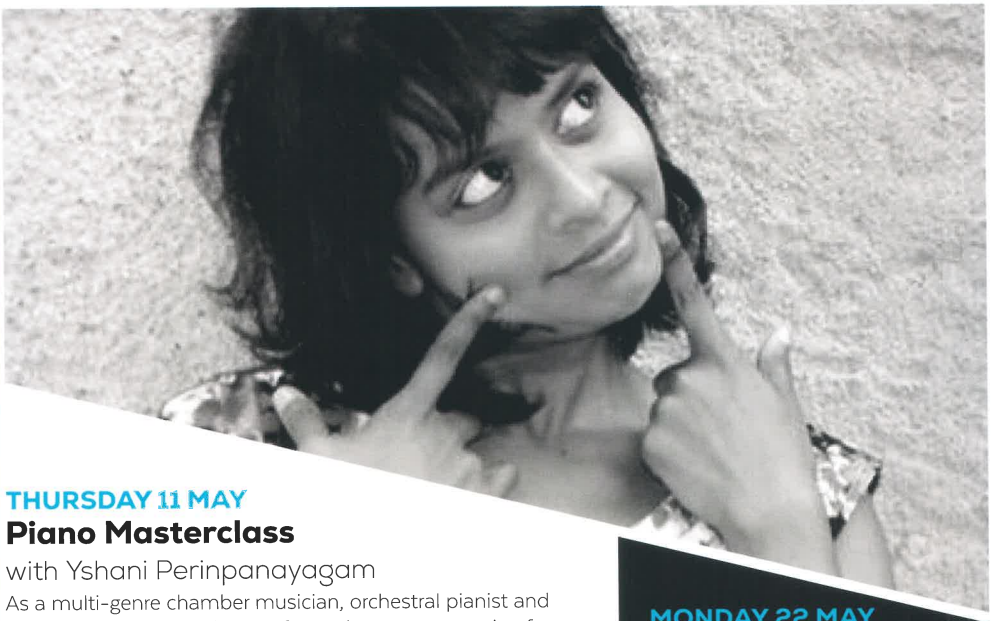

THURSDAY 11 MAY
Piano Masterclass
with Yshani Perinpanayagam

As a multi-genre chamber musician, orchestral pianist and music director, Yshani has performed at venues ranging from Wigmore Hall to the London Palladium, with artists from the Philharmonia to Nina Conti, and at events from the Oxford Lieder Festival to the Barbican Mime Festival. She is pianist of the Del Mar Piano Trio and the Carismático Tango Band, and is a regular guest broadcaster on BBC Radio 3.

Yshani was music director for triple-Olivier winning *Emilia* at the Vaudeville Theatre, the Olivier-winning *Showstopper! The Improvised Musical*, *Goat* by Ben Duke for Rambert Dance Company, *King John* for the Royal Shakespeare Company, and *As You Like It* for National Theatre Public Acts. Most recently, she was Consultant MD for Olivier-winning *Wolf Witch Giant Fairy* at the Royal Opera House Linbury Theatre.

Yshani has premiered contemporary music including works by Charlotte Bray, Seán Clancy, Laurence Crane, Joe Cutler, Cheryl Frances-Hoad, Gavin Higgins, Matt Kaner, Benjamin Oliver and Kate Whitley. As a composer herself, commissions include works for the London Sinfonietta, Onyx Brass, and music for a play about Fanny Mendelssohn.

Yshani was winner of the 10th Yamaha Birmingham Accompanist of the Year Award, and a scholar at both the Royal College of Music and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

Burns Recital Hall **7pm** **Free**

Around Chapel

MONDAY 22 MAY
Nocturnal Notes and Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Join us from 6.30pm for a glass of bubbly, some tasty canapés and a brilliant evening of solo performances from some of RHS's most talented young musicians.

Burns Recital Hall

7pm **£7**

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SATURDAY 17 JUNE

Requiem and Magnificat, John Rutter

RHS Chapel Choir
Holbrook Choral Society
Reade Chamber Orchestra
With special guest conductor John Rutter CBE

We are delighted to be performing two pieces of music by our patron, John Rutter CBE. John Rutter has held a close associate with the school for many years, having invited the choir to sing for his famous Christmas Celebrations at the Royal Albert Hall on a number of occasions. In 2008, he kindly agreed to be the Music School's patron and came to open the new building. We are delighted that John Rutter will be joining us as a special guest conductor this evening.

Chapel ***7pm**

£15/£10/Free

Parade Ground

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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JUNE

SUNDAY 18 JUNE

Organ Recital by Peter Crompton, Organist Emeritus, RHS

It is always a pleasure to welcome Organist Emeritus Peter Crompton back to the Grand Organ of the Royal Hospital School Chapel. Having spent almost 40 years in post at RHS, Peter knows the organ better than anybody else and his recitals always bring out the best in this breathtaking English-romantic instrument.

A popular programme will include Widor's famous *Toccata,* Elgar's *Imperial March,* Sousa's *Liberty Bell,* Yon's *Humoresque* and music by Mushel, Peeters, Tournemire & Walton.

Chapel **4.30pm** **£10**

P Around Chapel

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FRIDAY 23 JUNE

When Hollywood met Broadway

Soloists, duettists, and bands combine to perform an evening of stellar hits from the worlds of film and musicals. Accompanied by the RHS house bands and the school's Big Band, there promises to be something to keep you entertained all evening.

Burns Recital Hall ***7pm**

£10/£7/Free **Parade Ground**

***Pre-concert drinks from 6.30pm**

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JUNE & JULY

SUNDAY 25 JUNE

Leavers' Songs of Praise Service and Divisions

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the school's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital.

See page 39 for more details

Parade Ground & Chapel **11am**

MONDAY 26 JUNE

Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall

1.30pm **£7**

SATURDAY 1 JULY

Speech Day Divisions

We invite the public to watch the final Divisions ceremony of the school year, in which we say farewell to our departing pupils from Nelson House. This special ceremony culminates in a sunset parade and the very poignant Slow March Off of the leavers.

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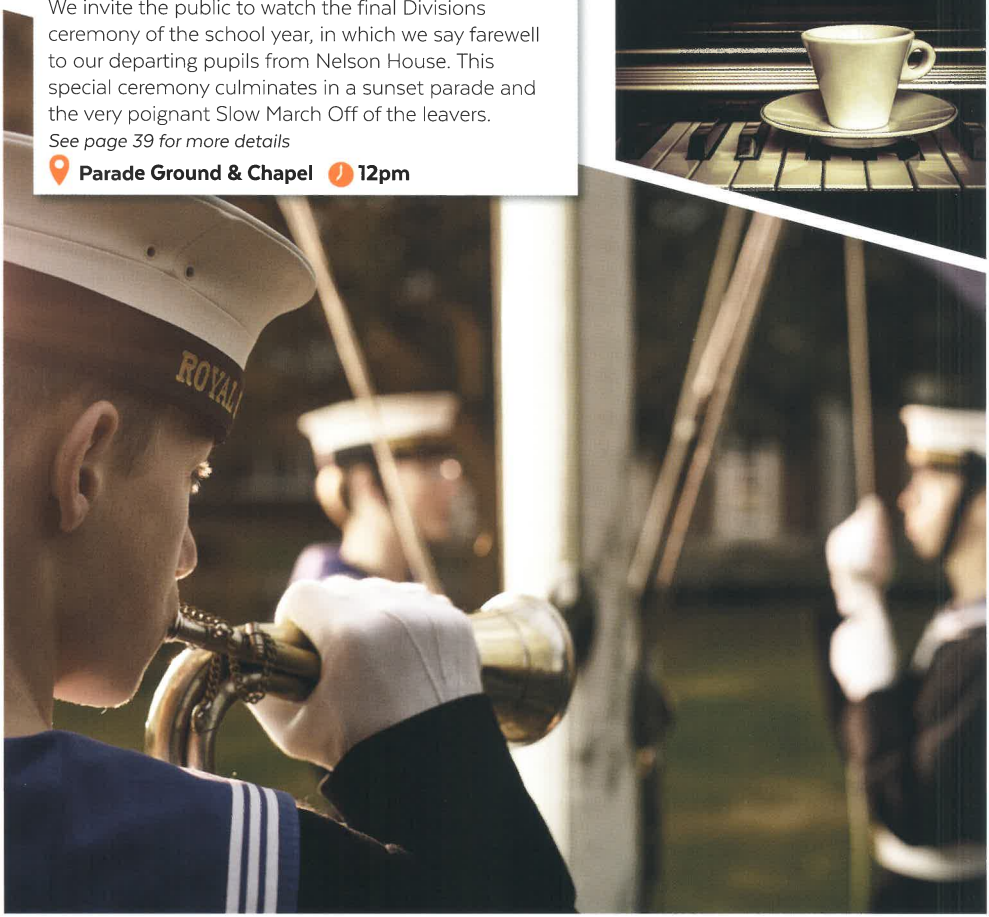
Parade Ground & Chapel **12pm**



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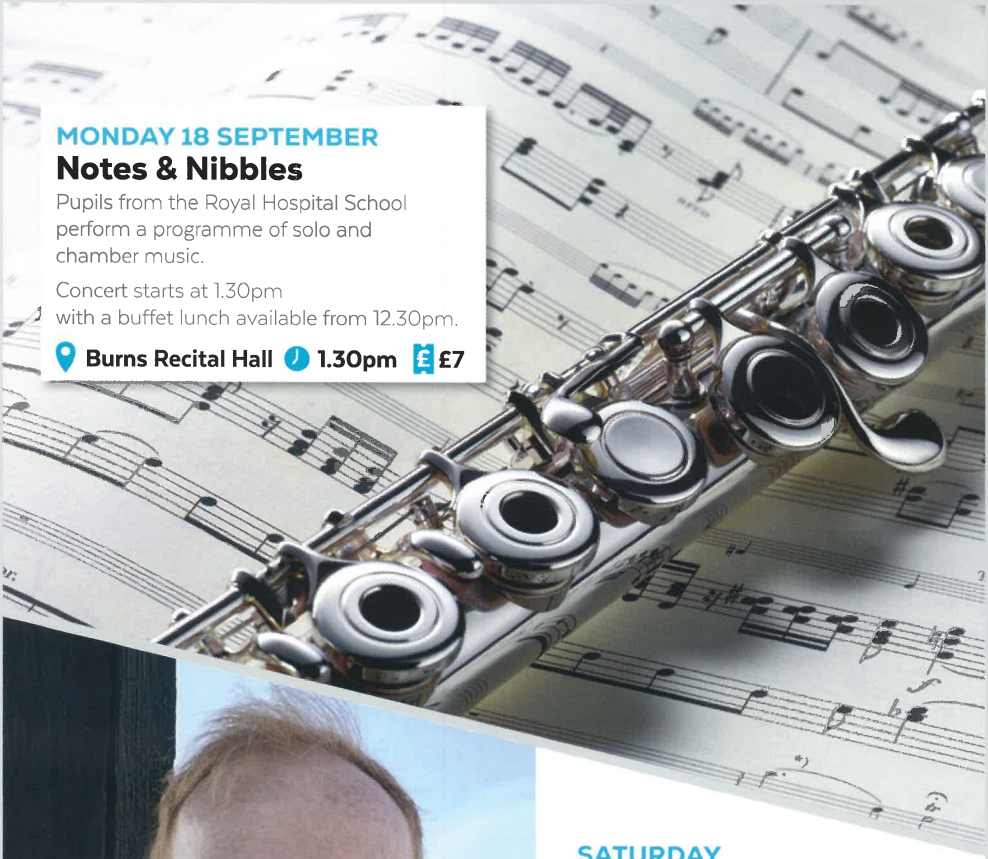

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

Notes & Nibbles

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Concert starts at 1.30pm with a buffet lunch available from 12.30pm.

Burns Recital Hall **1.30pm** **£7**

SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

RCO Study Day & Recital

James Davy, Organist and Master of the Choristers at Chelmsford Cathedral, joins us to lead an RCO Study Day and give a recital.

Chapel

2-5.30pm

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NOTES & NIBBLES

Pupils from the Royal Hospital School perform a programme of solo and chamber music.

Burns Recital Hall

Concerts start at **1.30pm** with a buffet lunch available from **12.30pm**
Tickets: **£7 on the door**

Monday 19 September
Monday 3 October
Monday 14 November
Monday 12 December*
Monday 23 January
Monday 13 March
Monday 1 May
Monday 22 May*
Monday 26 June

*** 12 December and 22 May are EVENING concerts!**

Concerts last approximately 40 minutes. Parking available around the School Chapel. For any enquiries please contact the Music School **01473 326222** or **music@royalhospitalschool.org**

OUT & ABOUT

The Royal Hospital School pupils perform in venues around the country that are open to the public. Please note that programmes may in part, or whole, repeat those performed at RHS.

WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 5PM

Annual National Seafarers' Service, St Paul's Cathedral

The Annual Service (cancelled for the last two years) is held to commemorate and celebrate seafarers from across the maritime industry and is always well-attended by seafaring professionals, as well as pupils from the many nautical schools and colleges around the country.

Entry by ticket only: www.stpauls.co.uk

MONDAY 5 DECEMBER 6.45PM

Admiralty Carol Service

Members of the Chapel Choir will be singing at the annual Admiralty Carol Service at St Martin-in-the-Fields, London.

MONDAY 6 FEBRUARY 5.30PM

Choral Evensong

The Chamber Choir and senior members of the Chapel Choir sing a service of Choral Evensong for Accession Day at the diocesan cathedral of St Edmundsbury.

THURSDAY 23 MARCH 5PM

Choral Evensong

Senior members of the Chapel Choir sing a service of Choral Evensong at Westminster Abbey, London. The service is open to members of the public.

There will be various other events that the Band and Corps of Drums will be involved in throughout the year. Please check the Music at RHS website for more information.

Contact details for tickets for these concerts / performances are stated, where possible. Details are correct at the time of going to press. The school cannot be held responsible for changes in this information.

MASTERCLASS SERIES

These two-hour workshops are free and open to all who are interested in learning more from the masters.

Burns Recital Hall 7-9pm

THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER
Guitar Masterclass
with Jake Willson

Jake Willson is quickly developing a reputation as an exciting and unique new voice in the guitar world. His journey from a keen jazz student at Berklee College of Music to completing a PhD in classical composition at the University of Surrey has provided the background to his aesthetic approach, and culminated in his breakthrough album, *A Piece of The Action*.
Read more on page 16

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with Matilda Lloyd

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Parking available around the School Chapel

MAJOR CHAPEL SERVICES & DIVISIONS

Major chapel services are usually preceded by Divisions on the Parade Ground.

Members of the public are warmly invited to watch Divisions. This spectacle is an important part of the School's heritage and a recognition of our links with our parent charity, Greenwich Hospital. The School perform Divisions as a mark of respect to the thousands of former pupils from Holbrook and Greenwich who paraded and who, with that same loyalty, from Nelson's day right up to the present, made the ultimate sacrifice on the high seas to secure our nation's peace and security.

Sunday 9 October
Harvest Festival Service & Divisions 11am

Friday 14 October
Divisions 4.15pm

Sunday 13 November
Remembrance Service & Divisions
9.45am - Service
11am - Divisions
11.45am - Service

Friday 2 December
A service of music & readings for Advent
5.15pm

Friday 16 December
School Christmas Carol Service 2.45pm

Sunday 26 March
Founders' Day Service & Divisions 11am

Friday 31 March
The Way of the Cross Easter Service & Divisions 2.30pm

Sunday 25 June
Leavers' Songs of Praise Service and Divisions 11am

Saturday 1 July
Speech Day Divisions 12pm

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PRIVACY NOTICE MUSIC AT RHS

INTRODUCTION
The Royal Hospital School (RHS -from hereon known as the 'School')[1] is an Independent Boarding/Day School operating as part of the Greenwich Hospital Crown Charity[2]. In addition to the School's overarching Privacy Notice[3], this focused Privacy Notice is intended to cover data processing in relation to event activities and associated distribution of publicity conducted by 'Music at RHS'

WHAT THIS NOTICE IS FOR
The Royal Hospital School seeks to provide appropriate levels of data protection and security across all its operations. This notice is intended to provide information about how the School will use and hold ("process") personal data related to 'Music at RHS'. This information is provided in accordance with the rights of individuals under Data Protection Law[4] to understand how their data is used.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR DATA PROTECTION
All individuals have a level of responsibility towards the protection of their own data and that of others.
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We have identified a legitimate interest[5] to use your personal data in order to enable publicity of and attendance at events. Your personal data is limited to your name, email and mailing address.

WHO HAS ACCESS TO PERSONAL DATA AND WHO 'MUSIC AT RHS' SHARES IT WITH
The names and mailing addresses are stored on a specific database with limited password access. The data is not shared beyond the RHS Music Department.

HOW LONG WE KEEP PERSONAL DATA
We will retain your data until you no longer require event information.

YOUR RIGHTS
Please notify the Music School Administrator at Music@royalhospitalschool.org or at the address at footnote 1 below should you no longer wish to receive event information. Any individual wishing to access or amend their personal data, or who has some other objection to how their personal data is used, should put their request to the Privacy and Compliance Officer in writing at **compliance@royalhospitalschool.org** or via the School mailing address at footnote 1.

[1] Located in Holbrook, Suffolk, IP9 2RX.
[2] Greenwich Hospital's head office is located at 1 Farringdon Street, London EC4M 7LG.
[3] Available at www.royalhospitalschool.org
[4] General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 25 May 2018.
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BOOKING INFORMATION

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PHONE

Music School Administrator
01473 326222
Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm

GETTING TO THE ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL

THE ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL, HOLBROOK, IPSWICH IP9 2RX

By Car

The Royal Hospital School is located on the B1080 between the villages of Stutton and Holbrook and has ample free parking.

Access to the parking area is via the road leading to the Music School.

Disabled parking is available outside the chapel.

From the A14 take the exit signposted A137 towards Ipswich. At the roundabout you will see a sign to the Royal Hospital School which will direct you under the Orwell Bridge on the B1456 from which take a right on to the B1080 through the village of Holbrook and onwards to the school.

From the A12 take the exit for the B1070 towards East Bergholt and continue towards Manningtree where a sign to the Royal Hospital School will direct you from the roundabout on the A137 towards Ipswich. From the A137 turn right towards Stutton, passing through the village and onwards to the school.

By train

The nearest train stations are at Ipswich and Manningtree and taxis are readily available. Also within easy reach are the ferry port of Harwich and Stansted, Luton, Gatwick and Heathrow Airports

Disabled facilities

Guide Dogs are welcome, please advise the Royal Hospital School Music School when booking so that an appropriate aisle seat can be provided. Disabled car parking is available around the chapel, which is next to the Music School.

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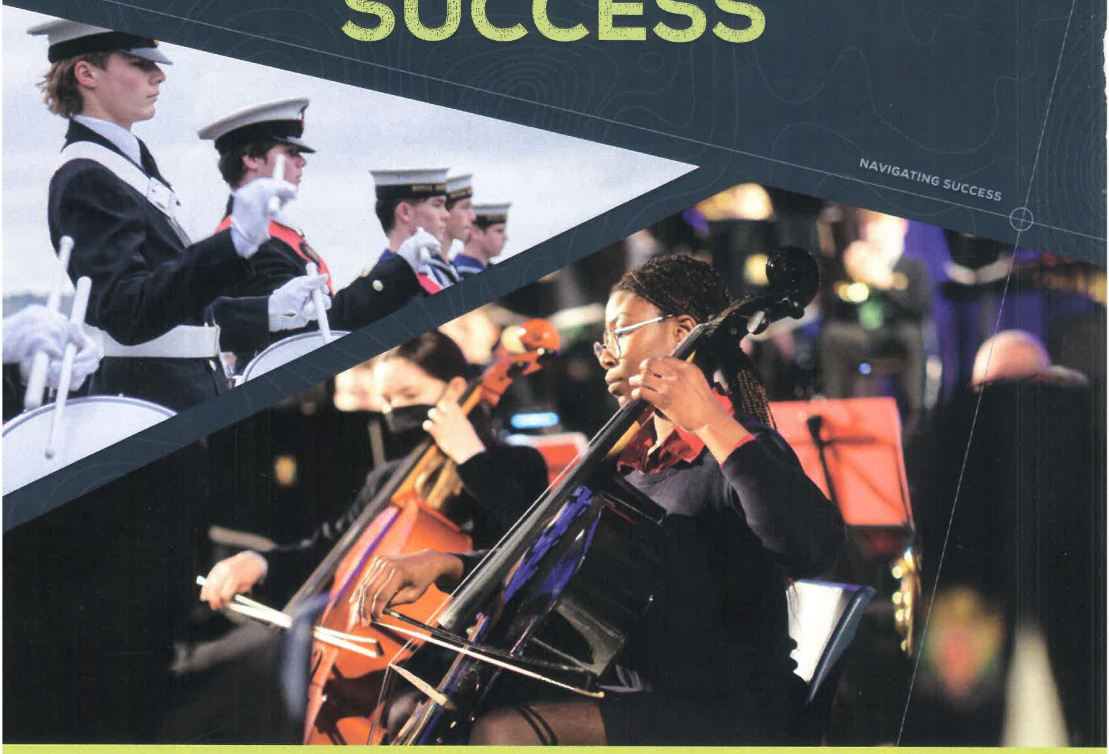

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